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Subject: Re: [lug] Microsoft Settlement

alta wrote:

> Department of Justice:
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> During my 25-year span as a computer professional, I have watched
> Microsoft grow. I continue to be appalled that Microsoft has been
> able to sell unreliable, defective products using the following
> practices:
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> - Advertising non-existent products to kill legitimate competition.
> - Buying companies in order to kill them
> - Forcing large distributors to install Microsoft, only.
> - Covering defective product internals with glitter and gold.
> - Licenses that give them immunity to damage from defective products.
> - Large campaign contributions to buy protection from government.
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> The result has been:
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> - Many innovative companies have been destroyed.
> - The world-dominant operating system (Windows) is defective,
> - Users have come to expect that software crashes are normal.
> - Due to licensing practices allowed in our (and other) countries,
>   Microsoft is the only business of its size that is unaccountable
>   for damages due to defects in its products.
> - Windows is a serious threat to national security and to businesses.
> - Now under investigation, they STILL continue these practices.
> - Even the US government seems unable to touch this monopoly.
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> I ask that you do what needs to be done with Microsoft. Please
> protect our national security, and give technological users and
> innovators a chance.

i started to write to the doj and ended up getting too angry to form
sentences
what you are seeing is your dept of justice about to do injustice...so it
goes
you can't fight city hall but you can be sure none of your assets go to
mr big bad scared little boy billy boy gates
in times of justice he would go down in a hail of bullets, forget pies
yes...let's watch our doj at work

in the mean time...sell all your redhat stock and buy kmart

stock...before monday
and, ponder why peak is not just dialup...JUST!!!

jonpi

CC: Microsoft ATR